

AGN. NO. _____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

DECEMBER 9, 2003

This past January, a fatal collision occurred between a commuter train and a truck at the crossing of Buena Vista Street and the existing railroad tracks north of San Fernando Boulevard in the City of Burbank.

On December 2, 2003, the National Transportation Safety Board released an initial report of their investigation of the incident. The report found that the design of the traffic signals at the incident location was a contributing factor to the incident.

Coordination between local agencies, railway operators, and State and Federal agencies is critical to ensure the utmost safety of our transportation system.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that this Board direct the Department of Public Works to request the California Public Utilities Commission work directly with the California Department of Transportation and local agencies to develop a uniform process for establishing traffic signal design and supplemental traffic control parameters at railroad/highway crossings.

I, FURTHER, MOVE, in light of the National Transportation Safety Board's findings regarding the January 6, 2003 incident, that the Board direct the Department of Public Works review existing traffic signal operations for at-grade railroad/highway crossings under County purview and report back their findings within ninety days.

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